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1. IN TELEVISION INTERVIEW FEBRUARY 13 ECUADOR'S FOREIGN MINISTER ANOTNIO JOSE LUCIO PAREDES GAVE HIS VIEWS ON HOW MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS WITH SECRETARY OUGHT TO GO. HE STATED HIS EXPECTATION THAT, ON BASIS OF AGREEMENTS REACHED IN BOGOTA LAST NOVEMBER, LATIN AMERICA STATES WOULD ADOPT ONE LATIN AMERICA POINT OF VIEW - A CONSENSUS - IN MEXICO FOR CONDUCT OF DIALOGUE WITH SECRETARY. DIALOGUE BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND U.S. OUGHT TO BE OPEN, SINCERE AND CLEAR, WITHOUT ULTERIOR OR SECONDARY MOTIVES, AIMED AT EXAMIN PROBLEMS WITH FRANKNESS - THE ONLY WAY IN WHICH THE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER WELL AND CARRY FORWARD THEIR PROGRAMS.

2. LUCIO PAREDS SAID HE WAS CONVINCED THAT THE MEXICAN DIALOGUE WOULD BE THE MOST CONSTRUCTIVE OF ALL BECAUSE IT WOULD NOT BE A CONFERENCE, BUT RATHER AN EXCHANGE IN WHICH L.A. WOULD EXPLAIN ITS POINTS OF VIEWS, THE WAY IT SEES ITS POLICIES AND THE WAY IT BELIEVES THE U.S. OUGHT TO VIEW THEM. AT THE SAME TIME, LUCIO PAREDES CONTINUED, THE U.S. WILL EXPLAIN HOW IT BELIEVES THESE
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RELATIONS OUGHT TO DEVELOP. LUCIO PAREDES SAID HE EXPECTS THE

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DIALOGUE TO BE ABSOLUTELY POSITIVE AND THAT HE EXPECTS A PROMISING NEW STAGE IN THE CONDUCT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND L.A. WILL ARISE FROM DIALOGUE.

3. QUERIED ON CUBA, FONMIN SAID THAT AT BOGOTA L.A. FONMINS WERE AGREED THAT MEXICO OUGHT NOT BE FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF ISSUES OF THIS NATURE.

4. QUERIED REGARDING THE INCLUSION BY THE US OF THE ENERGY PROBLEM ON THE AGENDA, FONMIN STATED THAT JUST AS LATIN AMERICA PRESENTED ITS THEMES FOR THE DIALOGUE WITH

THE UNITED STATES, IT HAD BEEN CLEARLY DECIDED AT THE BOGOTA MEETING THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO PROPOSE POINTS WHICH IT CONSIDERED IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN THE DIALOG WITH LATIN AMERICA. END UNCLASSIFIED

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5. COMMENT: THE MINISTER'S PUBLIC COMMENT WERE IN ACCORD WITH HIS PRIVATE REMARKS TO ME YESTERDAY REPORTED REFTEL: OPTIMISTIC, CONSTRUCTIVE, AND ON THE WHOLE HELPFUL. HIS COMMENT ON CUBA WAS AN UNEXPECTED, BUT WELCOME, ASSIST.
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